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East Windsor, Conn.

20. ABSTRACT (Continue on reverse side if necessary and identify by block number)

The dam is a 15 ft. high stone masonry, gravity strucure, probably on bedrock for its entire length. The project is approx. 193 ft. in length, consisting of an 81 ft. lo masonry spillway section, a 32 ft. long masonry and earthfill section to the left of the spillway. Based upon visual inspction. the project is in poor condition.

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The dam is a 15 for any stone masonry, gravity structure, probably founded on bedrock for its entire length. The project is approximately 193 feet in length, consisting of an 81 foot long masonry spillway section, a 32 foot long masonry and earthfill section to the left of the spillway, and an 80 foot long stone masonry and earthfill dike extending upstream from the spillway along the right side of the impoundment. Two wood sluice gates, controlling flow to a downstream factory, are located at the left end of the dam. A single span highway bridge along Connecticut Route 191 crosses the stream approximately 50 feet downstream of the dam.

The spillway, with an overflow length of 77 feet, is a broad-crested masonry weir of trapezoidal cross-section, with a permanently attached timber crest and breakaway flashboards. The spillway is separated into two sections by a stone masonry pier which houses an inoperable low level outlet. The spillway approach channel is shallow and rocky. The downstream face of the spillway is vertical, with the natural bedrock stream channel functioning as a splash apron.

For the Owner's information and use, the following items are attached:

- 1. "Visual Inspection Check List".
- 2. Hydraulic/Hydrologic computations.
- 3. Existing data and correspondence
- 4. Photos of project.

Based upon visual inspection, the project is in poor condition. The following features could influence the future condition and/or stability of the project.

- Areas of the upstream and downstream masonry faces of the dam and sluice gate channel are deteriorated. This deterioration includes missing or cracked mortar, and weathered or displaced stone blocks.
- 2. There is a seep of approximately 4 to 6 gallons per minute near the left end of the dam.
- The low-level outlet is inoperable.
- 4. The upstream slope of the dike is eroded.

The Owner should retain the services of a registered professional engineer to perform further studies pertaining to the following general recommendations. More specific recommendations made by the engineer should be implemented by the owner.

- 1. The areas of deteriorated masonry on the upstream and downstream faces of the dam, as well as the sluice gate intake and outlet channels should be investigated, analyzed and repaired.
- Seepage through the dam should be investigated.
 Measures should be undertaken to eliminate the seepage, or a seepage monitoring program should be established.
- 3. The low-level outlet should be made operable or a new one installed in order to draw down the pond level, should the need occur.
- 4. The eroded areas of the upstream slope of the dike should be filled with selected soil, graded and protected from future erosion.

INSPECTION CHECK LIST

<u>rvoir D</u> am	DATE: Mar	ch 24, 1980
	TIME: /0:00	am - 12:00 noon
	WEATHER:	Sunny, 45°F
		<i>850</i> ± U.SDN.S
INITIALS:	<u>n</u>	DISCIPLINE:
PMH		Project Manager
MP		Sr. Geotech Engr.
<u> 7s</u>		Project Engineer
HM		Chief Hydraulic Engr.
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PROJECT FEATURE Earthfill Masonry Section BY PMH, MP, TS, HM, MN

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
DAM EMBANKMENT	
Crest Elevation	88.6 ±
Current Pool Elevation .	85.0 ±
Maximum Impoundment to Date	Unknown
Surface Cracks	Some, masonry and joints
Pavement Condition	N/A
Movement or Settlement of Crest	Irregular earthfill top
Iateral Movement	hone observed
Vertical Alignment	1 4
Horizontal Alignment	Appears good
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	Good
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None observed
Trespassing on Slopes	N/A
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	Erosion & cracking on d/s slope
Rock Slope Protection-Riprap Failures	Eroded masonry of u/s wall
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or Near Toes	Mone observed
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage	Seep on d/s slope near toe w/rate appox. 4-6 gpm
Piping or Boils	Mone observed
Foundation Drainage Features	N/A
Toe Drains	12" high-level tile drain clogged by
Instrumentation System	N/A

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PROJECT FEATURE Masonry Dike BY PMH, MP, TS, HM, MN

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
DIKE EMBANKMENT	
Crest Elevation	89,4 ±
Current Pool Elevation	85.4±
Maximum Impoundment to Date	Unknown
Surface Cracks	Some, in masonry
Pavement Condition	Fair, top of masonry wall
Movement or Settlement of Crest	h a alcanuari
Lateral Movement	none observed
Vertical Alignment	appears good
Horizontal Alignment	
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	Good
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None observed
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	Eroded earthfill slopes
Rock Slope Protection-Riprap Failures	N/A
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or Near Toes	
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage	None observed
Piping or Boils	
Foundation Drainage Features	
Toe Drains	N/A
Instrumentation System	
Trespassing on Slopes	Some

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PROJECT FEATURE Intake Structure BY PMH, MP, TS, HM, MN

AREA EVALUATED

CONDITION

OUTLET WORKS-INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE

a) Approach Channel

Slope Conditions

Bottom Conditions

Rock Slides or Falls

Log Boom

Debris

Condition of Concrete Lining

Drains or Weep Holes

b) Intake Structure

Condition of Concrete

Stop Logs and Slots

Masonry w/ concrete lining Eroded masonry not observed None observed

Floating leaves & wood

fair, some cracking

N/A

Good

N/A

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Page A-5 PROJECT FEATURE Gate Structure BY PMH, MP. TS, HM, MN

	AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
(b)	AREA EVALUATED CLET WORKS-CONTROL TOWER Concrete and Structural General Condition Condition of Joints Spalling Visible Reinforcing Rusting or Staining of Concrete Any Seepage or Efflorescence Joint Alignment Unusual Seepage or Leaks in Gate Chamber Cracks Rusting or Corrosion of Steel Mechanical and Electrical Air Vents Float Wells Crane Hoist Elevator	Fair Fair, Masonry joints Same N/A None observed N/A None observed Some N/A N/A
	Hydraulic System Service Gates Emergency Gates Lightning Protection System Emergency Power System Wiring and Lighting System	Two 2/x7.5' wooden sluice gates, operable N/A

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PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Structure BY PMH, MP. TS, HM, MN

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
OUTLET WORKS-OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL	Masonry w/concrete lining
General Condition of Concrete	Fair
Rust or Staining	N/A
Spalling	Some cracking
Erosion or Cavitation	None observed
Visible Reinforcing	N/A
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	3 seeps on d/s overflow side w/flow appox. 16-20 gpm
Condition at Joints	}
Drain Holes	N/A
Channel	
Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging Channel	N/A
Condition of Discharge Channel	Eroded d/s masonry of overflow side
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PROJECT FEATURE Masonry Spillway BY PMH, MP TS, HM, MN

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
CUTLET WORKS-SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS	
a) Approach Channel	
General Condition	Good
Loose Rock Overhanging Channel	N/A
Trees Overhanging Channel	
Floor of Approach Channel	Not observed
b) Weir and Training Walls	
General Condition of Concrete	Fair
Rust or Staining	N/A
Spalling	Deteriorated masonry on d/s slope
Any Visible Reinforcing	N/A
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	seeps & wet joints on right side of d/s slope w/flow = 1-2 gpm.
Drain Holes	N/A
c) Discharge Channel	
General Condition	Fair
Loose Rock Overhanging Channel	} Mone observed
Trees Overhanging Channel	1
Floor of Channel	Bedrock.
Other Obstructions	Boulers, stones and masonry
;	blocks at central and left portions of spillway apron

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	AREA EVALUATED	,	CONDITION
נטס	PLET WORKS-CONTROL TOWER		Old outlet at base of center
a)	Concrete and Structural		Old outlet at base of center masonry pier approx. 3'x3'
	General Condition		
	Condition of Joints		·
	Spalling		Not inspected Because of overflowing
	Visible Reinforcing		spillway
	Rusting or Staining of Concrete		\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
	Any Seepage or Efflorescence		
	Joint Alignment		
	Unusual Seepage or Leaks in Gate Chamber		
	Cracks		
	Rusting or Corrosion of Steel	ŀ	
b)	Mechanical and Electrical	Ì	
	Air Vents		
	Float Wells		·
	Crane Hoist	ĺ	N/A
	Elevator	I	
	Hydraulic System		
	Service Gates		Not observed
	Emergency Gates		· }
	Lightning Protection System	·	N/A
	Emergency Power System		
	Wiring and Lighting System		

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BROAD BROOK MICE POND DAM, EAST WINDSOR, CT.

I) PERFORMANCE AT PEAK TROOD CONDITIONS.

DPROEKECE MANINUM FLOOD (PHF).

a) WATERSHED CLASSIFIED AS "FLAT" TO ROCCING"

6) WATERSHED AREA: DA = 13.5 " W.

(C.E. MEASURE. - NOTE: CONN. DEP. BULLETIN Nº1, 1972 (CARREST CO. OF NATURAL DRAWAGE AREAL) P. 26 SWOWS PAFIAGE SEAL POWEREL,
THIS KLAWRE DOES NOT CORRECTE WITH DA. TO UCLE GAGING STA. 18449)

- C) PEAR FLOODS (FROM NED-ACE GUIDEUNES . SUITE PURS FUR PUR):
 - () FROM GUIDE CURVES, CSM-1200 Tismi
 - a) PUF = 1200 x 13,6 = 16300 CFS
 - (II) 1/2 PHF = 8150 SAY, 8100 CFS
- 2) SURCHARGE AT PEAK INFLORES (PAIF WO 1/2 PAIF)
 - a) OUTFLOW RATING CURVE
 - () SPILLWAY AND OVERFLOW PROFILE FOR SURCHARIES OVERTOFFING THE DAM

2-SPILLWAY SECTIONS, BOTH WITH FLASH BOARDS (RIGHT STILLWAY

FRASHBOARD IS COLLARSED) ABOVE PERMANENT WOODEN SILL (PLATFORM)

ATOP MASONEY. FLASHBOARDS DESKNED TO FAIL AT (+) 2' HEAD (SEE MACCI

ENGRS. LETTER OF MAY 3, 1976), CENTRAL PIER ASSUMED TO BE (+)

AT SAME ELEV. ASTRETOR OF FLASHBOARDS (SEE OVERFLOW) PROFILE

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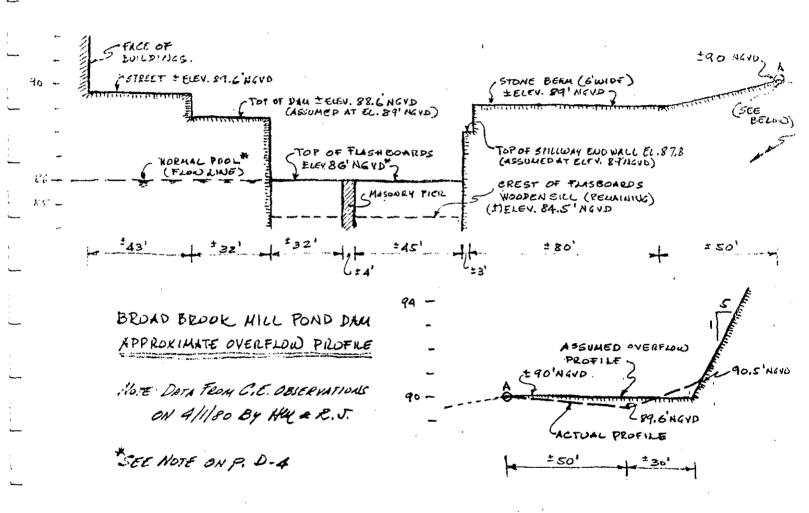
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THEREFORE, ASSUME C=3.3 FOR SPILLIDAY FLOW, EITHER, OVER THE FLASHBOARDS OR OVER THE WOODEN CREST RE-MAINING AFTER COCCAPSE OF THE FLASHBOARDS. ABSUME C=3.0 FOR TOP OF DAY AND OTHER OVERFLOWS.

ASSUME FLASHBOARDS IN PLACE FOR OVERFLOW COME.

DEVELOPMENT, FOR HEADS UP TO 2!



(i) THEREFORE, ASSUMING EQUIVALENT LENGTHS FOR THE SCOPING TERRAIN, THE OVERTION CURVE CAN BE APPROXIMATED AS FOLLOWS:

1') STREET Q = 3.0 × 43 × (H-3.6) 3/2 = 129 (H-3.6) 3/2

NOTE: FLASHEDARDS TOP (CREST) ELER. 86 NOVO ASSUMED AS DATUM.

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2') TOP OF DAM & ADTACENT TERRAM AT ASSUMED ECEV. 89' NOVO :

3') SPICLWAY SECTIONS.

a,) WITH FLASHBOARDS:

6,) W/O FLASHBOARDS:

$$Q = 254 (H+1.5)^{3/2} + 12H^{3/2}$$
 (H>2')

4) SLOPING TERRAIN (RIGHT)

$$(Q'_R)_1 = \frac{2}{3} \times 50 \times 3 \times (H-3)^{\frac{5}{2}} = 100 (H-3)^{\frac{5}{2}}$$
 $H = 4'$
 $(G'_R)_1 = 3 \times 50 \times (H-3.23)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 150 (H-3.23)^{\frac{3}{2}}$ $H = 4'$

5') TERRAIN (RIGHT) ASSUMED AT ELEV. 90'NOVO

6') SLOPING TERMIN ABOVE FLEV. 90' NGUD (RIGHT)

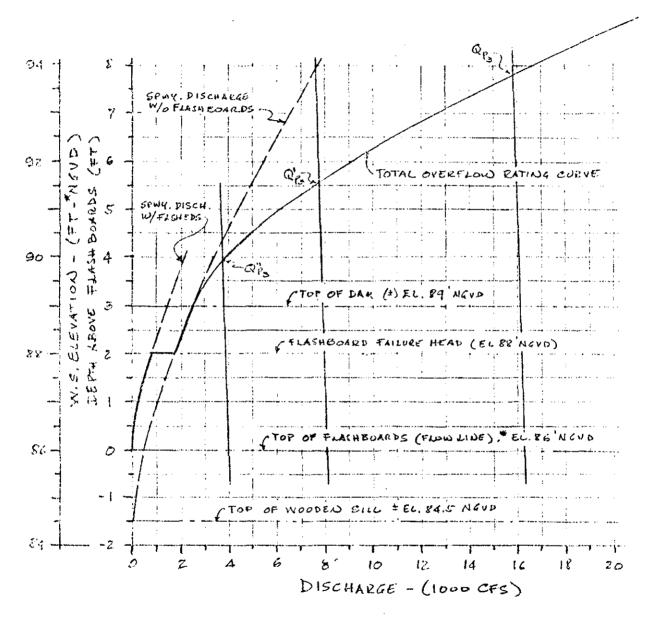
THEREFORE, THE TOTAL OUTFLOW IS APPROXIMITED BY:

WHERE THE (*) REPLACES THE SUBINDEX OF THE APPLICABLE FORMULAE ON (3') AND (4') ABOVE.

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(11) BROAD BROOK MILL POND DAM - OUTFLOW PATING CURVE



*NOTE: WS ELEV. 86' ON THE BROAD BROOK, CT. QUADRANGLE SHEET (KEN. 1972) Z: ASSUMED TO BE THE FLASHBOARDS TOP ELEVATION (NORMAL FOOL) ON NATIONAL GEODETIC VECTICAL DATOM (NOVD).

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b) SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS PEAK INFIDUS (OR & 11/2)

C) EFFECT OF SURCHARGE STORAGE - PEAR OUTFLOWS:

i) ADE LAKE ACES INITHIN EXPECTED SORCHARGE (A):

1') LAKE AREA AT FLOW LINE (EC. 86' NGUO): "ANLE 18" (2') AREA AT CONTOUR 90' NGUD (MSL) * Ago = 52 AC
3') AREA AT CONTOUR 100' NGUD (MSL) * Ago = 107 AC

" AREA AT ELEV. 94 NOVO (MAX EXPECTED SURCH): Agy = 75 th

: AVE. ALEA WITHIN EXPECTED SURCHARGE: A = 52 AC (+ Ago)

*NOTE: AREAS FROM USGS BROAD BROOK, CT. QUAD. SHEET (SCALE 1'=2000')
AND GRAPHICAL THTELPOLITION.

ii) ASSUME NORMAL POOL AT FROM LINE (ELEV. 86'NGVO)

(ii) WATERSHED D.A. = 13.6 5 mi (SEE p. D.1)

(0) FEAR ONTFLOWS (OR & O'S)

(DETERMINED ON THE OUTFLOW RATING CURVE P. D-A BY USING THE APPROX. POUTING NED-ACE GUIDELINES "SURCHARGE STORAGE BUTING"
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Og = 15800 CF H3 = 7.8'

9/3 = 7800 CFS H3 = 5.6'

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3) SPILLWAY CAPACITY RATIO TO PEAK INFLOWS WO OUTFLOWS

SURCH.	W.S.	STILLINAY	STILLWAY	CAPALITY AS	% OF INFLOWS	AND ATTERNES
#	ELEV.	CAPACITY	Qp, (16300 CFS)	Q'P, (810045)	QRs (15800CFs)	(7800 CFS)
3	89	2500	15	3/	16	38
5.6	91.6	5000		62		64
7.8	93.8	7500	46	-	47	
	H (FT) 3 5.6	H ELEV. (FT) (FT-NGUD) 3 89 5.6 91.6	H ELEV. CAPACITY (FT) (FT-NOVD) (CFS) 3 89 2500 5.6 91.6 5000	H ELEV. CAPACITY OP, (FT) (FT-NOW) (CFS) (16300 CFS) 3 89 2500 15 5.6 91.6 5000 —	H ELEV. CAPACITY QP, QP, (810045) 3 89 2500 15 31 5.6 91.6 5000 — 62	H ELEV. CAPACITY QP, QP, QP, (810045) (N5800CFS) 3 89 2500 N5 31 16 5.6 91.6 5000 — 62 —

^{*}SURCHANCE ABOVE TOP OF FLASHBOARDS (ELEN. 86 NOVD)

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II) DOWNSTREAM FAMURE HAZARD

1) POTENTIAL JAPACT AREA

EXCEPT FOR ONE HOUSE (1) 2500' PLS TROW THE DAY WITH FIRST FLOOP (1) 6' ABOVE THE STREAMBED, THE STRUCTURES KING BROAD EXOOK TO THE SCANTIC RIVER (BOTH ON EVERY UNDEVELOPED LAND) ARE 11' OR MORE ABOVE THE BROOK CHANNEY.

2) FAILURE AT BROAD BROOK MILL YOUD DAW:

ASSUME SURCHARGE TO TOP OF DAM (ECEY. SY'NGVD)

- a) HEIGHT OF DOM! H=15'
- b) MID-HEIGHT RENGIN: C= 115'
- C) BREACH WIDTH (SEE NED-ACE % DAN FAILURE GOIDELIVES)

W=0.0 x 115 = 46' ASSUME W6 = 46'

BECAUTE THE LONGEST ABUTMENT TO MIC-HEIGHT IS (4) 16' THE ASSUMED BREACH WILL OVERLAP A MIN. OF 30' OF SPICEOUNY SECTION.

d) ASSUMED WATER DEPTH (HEND) AT TIME OF FAILURE: 40=15"

E) SPILLWAY DISCHAGE AT TIME OF TAILURE:

() PREVIOUS TO FAILURE Q' = 2500 CFG (SEE 9. 0-6)

(i) AFTER FAIL. REMAIN. SPWY/PIER (±51'): Q'= 1000 CFG

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f) BREACH OUTELOW (SEE NED-ACE GUIDELINES)

9) PEAK FAILURE OUTELOW (Op) TO BROAD BROOK:

3) FLOOD DEPTH IMMEDIATELY % FROM DAM:

(* FROM RETREATING WAVE THEORY APPLIED TO DAW FAILURE)

A) ESTIMATE OF % FAILURE CONDITIONS AT POTENTIAC JUPACT ARTA:

(SEE NED-ACE GUIDELINES FOR ETTHATING PL FAILURE HYDROGRAPHS)

- A) THE (+) 2500' LONG REACH OF BROAD BROOK FROM THE DAY TO THE POTENTIAL JUPACT ANEX IS GENERALLY TRAFEXOIDAL IN CROSS SECTION WITH (+) 100' BASE AND (+) 5" AND (+) 6" TO 1" SIDE SLOPES. THE AUELLAE REACH SLOPE IS (+) 0.6%
- b) RESERVOIR STORAGE AT TIME OF FAILURE:

*STORAGE FROM U.S. ACE INVENTORY OF DAMS DATED 1/23/80, 9.31:544.787

C.E. ESTIMATE BASED ON AN AGE (MAN.) DEPTH OF (1)71: &=126 ACFT.

ALSO, ESTIMATED BY S=.5AH, S=135 ACFT. SO, USE SHAR +130 ACFT.

C) APPROXIMATE STAGE AT POTENTIAL THEACT AREA AFTER FOLLURE

Op = 5500 CK : " 4 = 6.2" : V = 47 40 FT 5 0 (ON REACH OF 2500 , n=0.050)

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e) RAISE IN STAGE AT JUPACT AREA: 24=1'

III) SELECTION OF TEST FLOOD

1) CLASSIFICATION OF DAM ACCORDING TO NED-ACE GUIDELINES

a) SIZE: *STORAGE (MW) = 130 MEFT (50 < 5 < 1000 CFT)

HEIGHT = 15' (H < 25")

* STORAGE: SEE P. D-8; HEIGHT: SEE P. D-7

: SIZE CLASSIFICATION: SMALL

b) HAZARD POTENTIAC: A A RESULT OF THE REFOLUNE AUACTSIS

AND IN VIEW OF THE SUPACT THAT FAILURE OF BROAD BROOM

MILL POND DAM MAY HAVE ON THE POTENTIAL SUPACT AREA

(PD-7), THE DAM IS CLASSIFIED AS HAVING:

HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: LOW

2) TEST FLOOD: 50 TO 100-42 FRED. FLOOD.

NOTE: ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT BEEN ESTIMATED THE 100-42 FRED.
FLOOD IS ASSUMED TO BE OF THE ORDER OF MAGNINDE

OF GIOD & ADDO CES. THIS ASSUMPTION SEEMS IN MIREEMENT

WITH ESTIMATES IN PREVIOUS STUDIES.

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AT Q100 = 4000 CVS, THE DAM WILL BE OVERTOFFED BY (1)09'
TO 1.3' (Q" = 3800 CVS) OR TO A SURCHARGE OF (±) 3.9' ABOVE
NORMAL POOL ELEV. 86'NOVD (TOP OF FLASHBOARDS). (SEE P. D-4)
THE SPILLMAY CAMELTY IS THEREFORE (±)83% OF THE TEST FLOOD
AND (±) 87% OF THE TEST FLOOD PEAK OUTFLOW.

BROAD BROOK MILL POND DAM

Existing Plan

"Proposed Reconstruction"
Broad Brook Mill Pond Dam
East Windsor, Conn.
A. R. Lombardi Associates, Inc.
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June 22, 1956	State Board	John J. Mozzochi, Engineer	Application for con- struction permit, sket- of dam, computations, and specifications for repairs to dam	
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650 MAIN STREET HARTFORD 3. CONNECTICUT

HENRY WOLCOTT BUCK ROBINSON D. BUCK

COMM. 5574-1

DECEMBER 19, 1955

STATE BOARD FOR SUPERVISION OF DAMS 165 Capitol Avenue HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

GENTLEMEN:

WE ARE WRITING ON BEHALF OF OUR CLIENTS CHARLES E. PRESSLER, JR. AND ROBERT J. PIGEON, OWNERS OF THE BUILDING IN THE CENTER OF THE VILLAGE OF BROAD EROOK ON THE WEST SIDE OF HAIN STREET, IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF EROAD BROOK, ACTING THROUGH THEIR ATTORNEYS, PIGEON AND KAHAN, OF ROCKVILLE, CONNECTIOUT.

THIS BUILDING WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED AT THE TIME OF THE FLOOD LAST AUGUST AND OUR CLIENTS WISH TO PETITION YOUR SOARD FOR AN INSPECTION OF THE DAM AT BROAD BROOK FOND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4730 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. OUR PETITION RELATES TO THE CAPACITY OF THE SPILLWAY PROVIDED AT THIS STRUCTURE AND ITS EFFECT ON THE BREAKING AWAY OF THE EARTHEN PORTIONS OF THE DAM AND NOT TO THE STRUCTURAL ADEQUACY OF THE SPILLWAY SECTION OF THE DAM.

SINCERELY YOURS,

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HENRY WOLCOTT BUCK

STATE WATER COMMISSION

INDUSTRIAL ARCHITECTURF . STRUCTURAL AND SANITARY ENGINEERING



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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January 12, 1956

Re: Broad Brook Pond Dam East Windsor, Connecticut

Mr. William S. Wise Chairman, State Water Commission Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Sir:-

On last Saturday I visited the dam at Broad Brook just above the main road in the Village of Broad Brook and Town of East Windsor.

The dam is located just east of the highway and is a stone masonry dam about 84 feet long and is about 12 feet high. There appear to be wooden flashboards above the masonry for a depth of about 3 feet. The height from top of flashboards to top of abutment wall is 3 feet also. There is a stone wall along the south side of pond at about the 3 foot height and along the west side of pond is a stone wall and further on an earthen embankment. I do not know if this bank was overtopped in the recent floods but I suspect it was. There is a pond of perhaps 10 acres at this point.

The drainage area at the point of dam on Broad Brook is 14.8 square miles. The length of main stream is 6.5 miles. Branches are small and although included in drainage area are not considered separately in general stream slope. The elevation at source of stream is 600 and at dam is about Elevation 100 giving a slope of 500 feet in 6.5 miles or an average slope of 77 feet per mile. There does not appear to be any abnormal storage along the stream.

The mean annual flood then becomes

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 $\zeta_{\rm m} = 0.85 \times 14.8 \times 77$

= 968 cubic feet per second

A flood of 100 year frequency equals 3.7 times the mean annual

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- 3580 cubic feet per second for 100 year frequency.

Present dam is 84 feet long and 3 feet high to abutments from top of flashboards. This is good for 1478 cubic feet per second.

Conclusion:

It is my opinion that the present spillway capacity is wholly inadequate for a 100 year flood. If all flashboards were removed to the masonry top, then an adequate capacity would be provided.

Very truly yours,
B. Halmer.

BHP/ew

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Sent original to IIr. B. Palmer 5-26-56

construction on reverse side.

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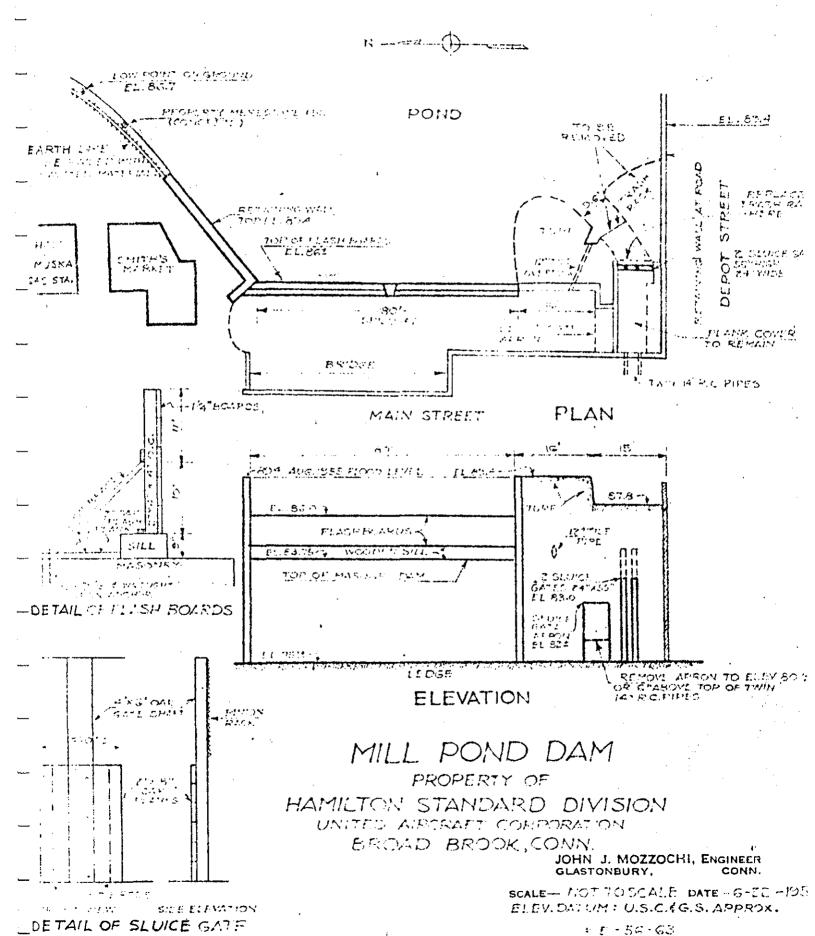
APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT As required under Section 4731 of General Statutes

THIS APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED IN TRIPLICATE ...

Hamilton Standard Division United Aircraft Corp.	Date <u>Tune 22, 1956</u>
Owner -o/o John J. Mozzochi	
P. O. Address 265 Hebron Avenue	Tel. No. Modford 3-9401
-Glastonbury, Connecticut	
Location of Structure: Town_Broad-Brook	Shown on USGS Quadrangle Broad Brook
Name of Stream Book Brook	at 5 a inches south of Lat. 410 521-3
	north abd 1 75 inches east of Long. 720-30' west
Directions for reaching site from neares (See sketch on reverse side)	
Dam is at the intersection of Connec	ticut Rt. No. 140 (Main Street) and
Depot Street in the center of Broad B	rook.
This is an application for: <u>(New Constr</u>	uction) (Alteration) (Repair) (Removal) (describe project)
This pond is to be used for:Manufa	eturing and recreation
Dimensions of pond: width 500'AV.	
Dopth of water below spillway level:	- Varios 10' Max.
Total length of dam:110.	
Length of spillway:	
Height of abutments above spillway:5	
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Character of soil in river bed at spill	way location: Lodge
Remarks: Proposed work involves rebu	ilding flashboards and other repairs.
See attached Plans.	
Note: Show details of	Signed John I Wozzoeli

FOR: HAMILTON STANDARD

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JOHN J. MOZZOCHI Civil Engineer Glastonbury, Conn. COMPUTATION SHEET - SUESTITE MILL POND DAM, BROAD BROOK CONN. DISCHARGE Q= CR H S $= (\tilde{0.85})(13.60)(30)$ QNORMAL = 348 CFS = 3.7 × 348 = 1286 CFS OR ELEV 87 CAPACITY CALCULATIONS (WITH FLOW 1-0" ABOVE FLASHBOARD: 2 SLUICE GATES - EACH 24"x 90" - BOTH OPEN Q=2×CAVZgH = 2 x 0.70 x 9.4 x V 2(32.2)(5.2) 240 CFS. SPILLWAY - WITH BOARDS IN PLACE Q= C L H 3/2 = 3.33 x 80 x / 3/2 267 CFS 70771 507 = 1.46 - EQUAL TO 8 YEAR RECURRENCE WITH FLOW AT 2 ABOVE FLASHEDARDS OR ELEV. 88 2 SLUICE GATES Q= 2.x 0.70 x 9.4 \(\frac{2(32.2)(6.2)}{} = SPILLWAY - WITH BOARDS IN PLACE Q = 3.33 × 80.0 × (2) /2 1018 = 2.9 3 EQUAL TO 50 YEAR PECURPENCE FLOW AT 3'ABOVE FLASH BOARDS OR FLEV 89 2 SLUICE GATES Q = 2 x 0.70 x 9.4 \ 2(322)(7.2) 284 284 SPILLWAY WITH BOARDS IN PLACE $Q = 3.33 \times 80.0 \times (3) \frac{3}{2}$ SPILLWAY WITHOUT FLASHBOARDS $Q = 3.33 \times 80.0 \times (4.75)^{3/2}$ RECURRENCE INTERVAL FOR 3 - 1669 = 4.9 = 275 YEARS

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 $4 - \frac{3064}{348} = 8.8 = 800 \text{ years}$

JOHN J. MOZZOCHI CONSULTING ENGINEER

SPECIFICATIONS

FOR

REPAIRS TO

MILL POND DAM

EROAD EROOK, CONNECTICUT

SCOPE

The work involved consists of:

- detail on Sheet No. 1. Re-use existing 1-1/4" Phillip he Mahogan, planks as may be salvated. Replace this ace as needed with same naterial. Reser the existing sill on the northerly half of the Date. Provide whom he from anchors for the braces and new 2" oak splash boards.
- (2) Removing entirely the masonry retaining wall and embankment between the sluice pate Channel and the retaining wall at Depot Street.
- (a) Material available from operation (2) is to be used to raise the earth dike East of Hall & Museu Gus Station.
- slats in a new focation, just ahear of the stude pates. Overall size of new rach to be same as existing.

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MILL POND DAM

- () Repair the sluice gotes as neeled with about 20 S.F. each of new 2" On's plank, to dressed from (4) sides, about new 4" x 10 x 10 -0" Oal gale shart.

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All work shall be on the lest wire maniship and all rateral of the best commercial mainty. All leads shall be relieved into the site. Now embankment at rear of these Station shall be graded in a peat macher.

Hr. John J. Mozzochi 265 Mebron Avenue Glastonbury, Connecticut

Donr John: -

I enclose preliminary permit for repairs to the flashboards at the dan at Broad Brook, Connecticut. The capacity of this dam is adequate provided the flashboards go under high floods and I should think that they would under the type of construction which you have indicated. The final permit will be issued after the work has been completed.

Very truly yours, Stalmer

Member, State Board of Supervision of Dams

C.C.: Chairman Mm. S. Miso

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To Owner NITED AISCRAFT CORP

P. O. Address HARTFORD CONN

I have inspected the site and have examined the plans marked Mill Pena Pilin

PRELIMINARY PERMIT

on BROAD BROAK in the Town of EAST WINDSOR

The same are approved, and such proposed construction work is hereby authorized.

Member, Board of Supervision of Dams

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

STATE BOARD FOR THE SUPERVISION OF DAMS
STATE OFFICE BUILDING . HARTLESD 15, CONNECTICUT

December 3, 1956

Mr. William S. Wise Chairman, State Board for Supervision of Dams Hartford (15) Connecticut

Dear Mr. Wise:-

I enclose copy of Preliminary and Final certificates granted to United Aircraft Corporation for work on the dam at East Windsor.

Very truly yours,

Member, State Board for Supervision of Dams

BHP/ew Enc.

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CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

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Note: The owner is required by law to record this certificate in the Land Records of the town or towns in which the dame

March 20, 1963

Mr. A. J. Macchi 44 Gillett Street Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Macchi:

Under your terms as a consultant to this office would you kindly inspect the following dams: Broad Brook, Mill Pond, dam on Chestnut Brook and Windsorville Pond in the Town of East Windsor and submit a report to this office as to present condition of the above named structures. Also include in your report the action this Commission is to take in each of the above mentioned dams.

Very truly yours,

Emitt A. Dell Field Inspector

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DAM AT BROAD BROOK MILL POND TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR REPORT OF INSPECTION BY A. J. MACCHI, ENGINEERS ON MARCH 22, 1963

This dam is located on Broad Brook west of the Main Street in Broad Brook Center. The dam consists of a vertical stone wall with earth fill backup. The watershed area is approximately 9,000 acres and extends east to an area above the town of Rockville, There are numerous residences and manufacturing plants below the dam site. The dam is owned by Hamilton Standard, Division of United Aricraft.

Water elevation is controlled by wooden flashboards which have been designed to fail before the water elevation becomes critical and tops the embankment adjacent to the dam. Our review of this design indicates that in this type of flashboard, which is intended to fail by rotation of the unit about a horizontal axis when the design head has been reached, the location of the axis of rotation and the detail at this hinge is very critical. Inasmuch as it is the design objective that these flashboards fail before the critical elevation is reached, which would flood adjacent buildings, it is recommended that the design of these units be reviewed and modified if necessary in order to be positive about their function.

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DR. GIULIO PIZZETTI

ASSOCIATE CONSULTANT

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April 18, 1963

Water Resources Commission State of Connecticut 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut

Re: Dam at Broad Brook Mill Pond

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our report of inspection at the above dam on March 22, 1963, wherein we recommended that the design of the flash boards be reviewed.

Please be advised that this office has corresponded with John J. Mozzochi, Engineers for Hamilton Standard, owners of this dam, and they intend to revise the flash-boards in a manner acceptable to this office.

Very truly yours,

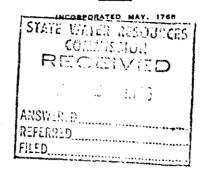
A. J. MACCHZ, ENGINEERS

H. R. HOFFMAN, P. E.

cc. John J. Mozzochi & Associates

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

CONNECTICUT



BOARD OF SELECTMEN
P. O. Box 366
BROAD BROOK, CONNECTICUT

June 1, 1966

State of Connecticut Water Resources Commission State Office Building Hartford 15, Connecticut

Dear Sir:

Hamilton Standard, Division of United Aircraft Corporation has offered the Town of East Windsor a gift of the Broad Brook Pond and some land surrounding it.

This offer was presented before a Special Town Meeting on May 26, 1966 and the vote was to accept the offer with two provisions:

1. That the towns insurance carrier would insure the area against any and all liability.

2. That the Board of Selectmen obtain a favorable written report from the State Water Resources on the condition of the dam.

I am therefore asking the Commission for a report on the dam's condition.

John L. Daly Jr. First Selectman

A. J. MACCHI

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EXECUTIVE OFFICES

44 GILLETT STREET

HARTFORD, CONN., 06105

PHONE 525-6631

A. J. MACCHI H. R. HOFFMAN K. E. GRIFFES J. J. SCHMID

ASSOCIATE CONSULTANT PROF. C. W. DUNHAM June 22, 1966

State of Connecticut Water Resources Commission 165 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut

Attention Mr. William Sander

Re: Your Letter 6/17/66
Broad Brook Dam
Broad Brook, Connecticut

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Gentlemen:

Inspected the above-referenced dam on Tuesday, June 21, 1966. This dam was previously reviewed on March 22, 1963.

In our previous report we asked for a modification of the flashboard detail which is designed to fail safe. The requested changes have been made.

The flashboards need clearing of debris at the present time and periodically this should be done to allow free movement of the flashboards. The growth of small saplings at the south abutment should be removed.

The dam is in safe condition.

Very truly yours,

A. J. MACCHI, ENGINEERS

A. J. MACCHI

Copy given us ly memaur firm

Windsor Locks, Connecticut 06036

Please address answer to Mail Stop No. 2-M-1

March 29, 1976

Mr. Edward Hastillo First Selectman Town of East Windsor Town Hall Broad Brook, Connecticut 06016

Dear Mr. Hastillo:

We have had two occasions of significant property damage at our Broad Brook facility caused by a failure to relieve the water pressure at the dam during heavy flooding conditions, and the resultant failure of the top rails. In each case, the damage has exceeded \$2,500. The situation is further aggravated since it takes a long time to have the town replace those top rails. As a result, we operate with limited water flow. I hope you can expedite the repair of the dam.

We also expect that in future flooding conditions the town will take whatever action is necessary to relieve the pressure on the top rails to prevent resulting downstream damage to private property. This letter constitutes notice that should the Town of East Windsor not take necessary corrective action to ensure that no further damage is caused to the property of Hamilton Standard, we will expect the Town to be liable for and pay the cost of any further damage.

We request that you advise us as soon as possible of the corrective action you propose to take to alleviate the problem.

Very truly yours,

HAMILTON STANDARD Division of UTC

Richard Ryan-

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

STATE OFFICE BUILDING HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06115

COST

12 April 1976

Mr. John Macchi Macchi Engineers 44 Gillett Street Hartford, CT

> Re: Broad Erook Millpond East Windser

Dear John:

Under the terms of your contract to act as a consultant to this department, would you please inspect the subject dam and submit a report on the safety of the dam.

The dam is located in Frond Fronk in the northeast section of East Mindsor east of Route 191.

Very truly yours,

Victor F. Galgowski Supt. of Dan Maintenance Water Resources Unit Telephone no. 566-7245

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BROAD BROOK MILL POND

EAST WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT

REPORT ON CONDITION OF DAM AND FACTORS RELATIVE TO ITS USE

BY MACCHI ENGINEERS, HARTFORD, CONN.

MAY 4, 1976

<u>LOCATION</u> - Dam is located on Broad Brook just east of Main Street bridge in East Windsor, Connecticut.

<u>DESCRIPTION</u> - This dam is a stone masonry wall approximately 8'-3" high, setting on bedrock. It is topped with a heavy wood sill and flashboards about 1'-10" high having an overall length of about 96' which form the spillway. See attached sketch, revised to date.

OWNER - Town of East Windsor.

CONDITION - The dam is a safe structure in good condition and in no danger of failure. The critical factor is how best to allow passage of flood flows with a minimum of exposure by erosion of the downstream banks, a distance of about a mile to the confluence with the Scantic River. The hinged flashboards which are used to raise the pond level overturn on flood flows and contribute to the erosion.

<u>HYDRAULICS</u> - The drainage area above this dam is about 9,062 acres and the flood flows using Connecticut Flood flow formula are calculated to be:

Annual Flood	1,000	c.f.s.
5 Yr. Flood	1,300	c.f.s.
10 Yr. Flood	1,600	c.f.s.
100 Yr. Flood	3,700	c.f.s.
200 Yr. Flood		

Mozzochi Engineer's sketch dated 6/22/56 indicates a pond elevation of 89.4 for the 1955 flood. Assuming flashboards were washed out, the flow estimates to be approximately 4,300 c.f.s., a 200 year flood.

Since 1961, a U.S.G.S. gaging station has been located approximately 2000 ft. downstream at the Mill Street crossing.

The following peak flow data was made available by Mendal Thomas of the U.S.G.S. office in Hartford:

2/3/70800	c.f.s.
3/3/72800	c.f.s.
6/30/73708	c.f.s.
9/27/751140	c.f.s

The September 27, 1975 peak flow of 1140 c.f.s. coincided with a 24 hr. precipitation of 3.07" at nearby Bradley Airport during the previous day.

The October 19, 1975 washout of flashboards occurred during a 3 day rainstorm with precipitation of less than 1.5"/24 hrs.

The February 1976 rainfall conditions were less severe.

<u>HISTORY</u> - Hamilton Standard is the previous owner of the dam and within the last few years turned over ownership of the dam to the Town of East Windsor. Hamilton Standard still uses the water from the mill pond for processing in the nearby plant and maintains a weir downstream to take water for fire protection.

We were informed by local residents and Mr. Ray Morris, Assistant Plant Manager and Harry Ishler, local plant maintenance, both of Hamilton Standard, that flashboards have washed out twice within the last year; once in October, 1975 and in February, 1976. On both occasions we were told the water level in the pond was only slightly above the top of the flashboards. Checking precipitation records for both these times, we find there was insufficient rain to cause flashboards to fail by overturning as per design. Most likely, the flashboards failed because the struts were inadequate.

On these occasions when the flashboards failed, Mr. Morris claims scour damage occurred to an area downstream adjacent to the brook where large tanks are located. He stated that when Hamilton Standard maintained the dam they relieved the pond build up by opening the two sluice gates at the start of a storm and this practice prevented flashboards from washing out. This practice has not been continued since the Town has taken over the dam. About one-half of the flashboards washed out. We estimate this discharge to be comparable to annual flood of about 1000 c.f.s.

FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS - The location of the flashboard hinge is a sensitive and critical factor in establishing the height of water above the weir required to cause overturning. We learned that this hinge point as related to total height of the flashboards was changed from dimensions obtained from 1963 records. We waited for a low flow day to verify actual measurements. From this information it was determined that the height required to overturn the flashboards is approximately 2 ft. During the recent failure of the flashboards the water did not reach this 2' height and therefore, the bracing system must have given way.

In checking the channel of this brook from the dam to where it flows into the Scantic River, a distance of about a mile, we find that this water course is very meandering and restrictive, and that some erosion of banks by a large flood flow is unavoidable, especially where the channel changes direction. It is recommended that property adjacent to the edge of the brook not be used for permanent installations unless banks are protected. A sudden release of a wave of water when flash-boards let go can be very destructive to the banks. Whereas, if the flashboards remain in place, the flood flow will be more gradual and over a longer period of time.

All flood flows are normal (natural) exposures to adjacent property. However, sudden discharges which exceed unrestricted conditions are open to questionable liability.

It is recommended that flashboards be fixed in place (cut down 6" from present height to elevation 85.5) and that sluice gates be opened at the beginning of anticipated heavy storms. The fire company across the street could assume this responsibility for the Town. These sluice gates can be made automatic by use of float switches and electric motor, if so desired.

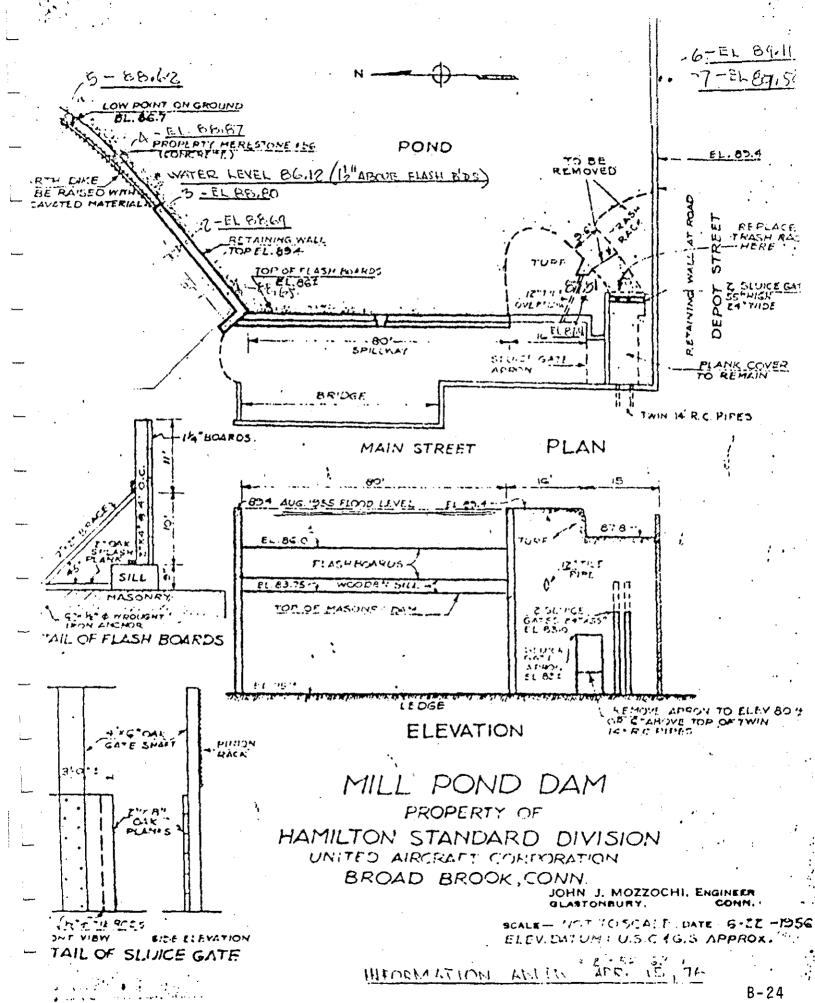
This operation will allow passage of 100 year storm without overflowing banks. Storms greater than this will wash over adjacent parking area and possibly across the road.

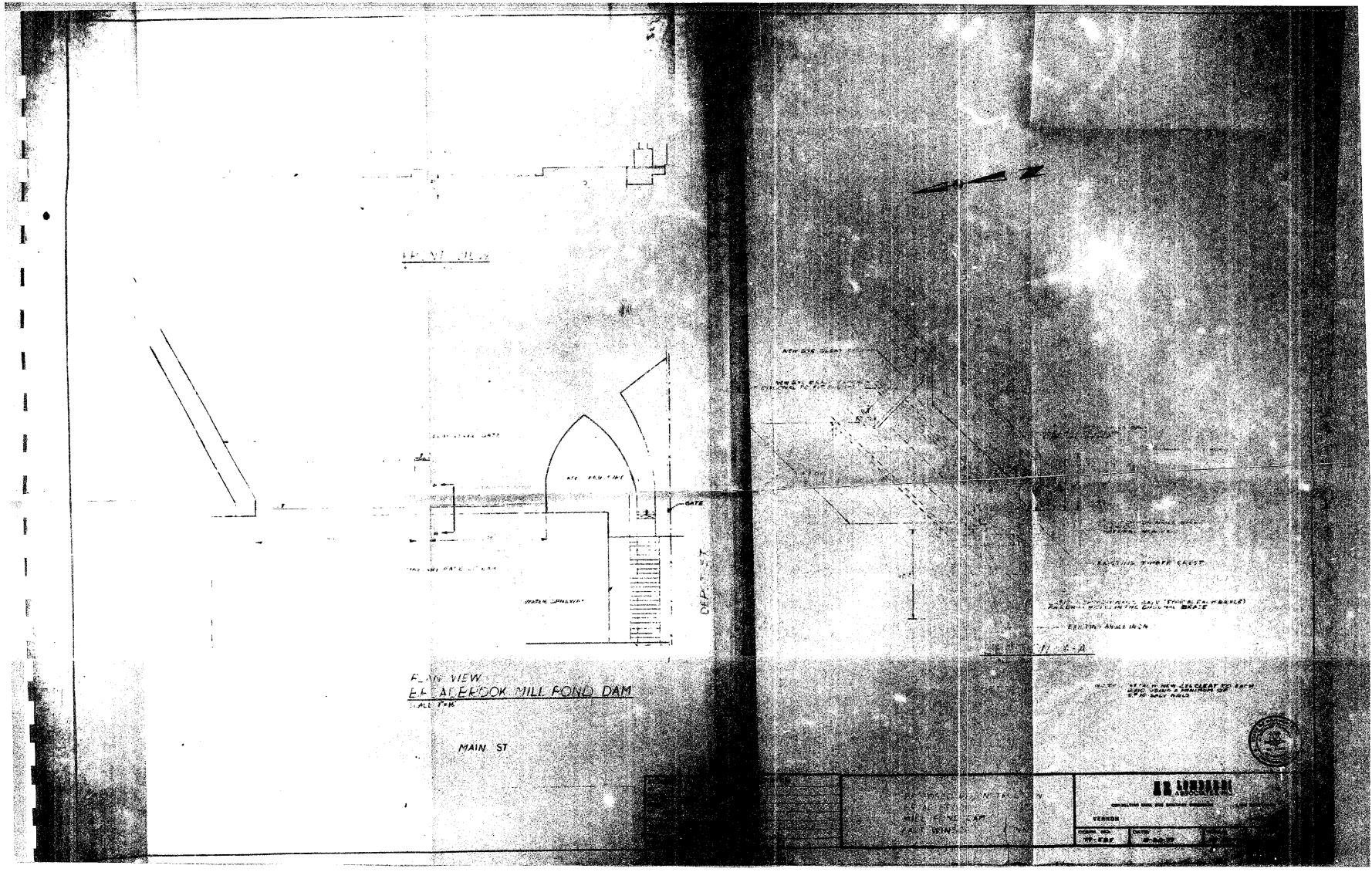
If the elevation of 86.0 (the present top of the flashboards) must be maintained, then it will be necessary to increase the banks to maintain a 6" freeboard along the shores of the pond.

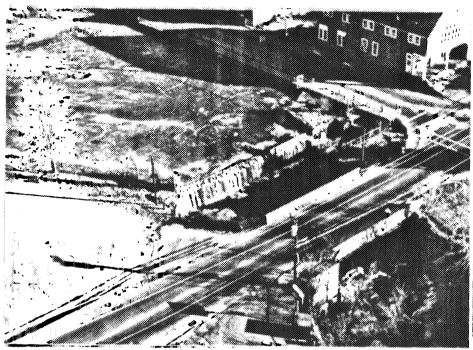
To make flashboards permanent, the braces (struts) for the flashboards should be made stronger using a second 2 x 4 brace near the top of the vertical member. The flashboards should then be inspected annually and after every heavy flood flow.

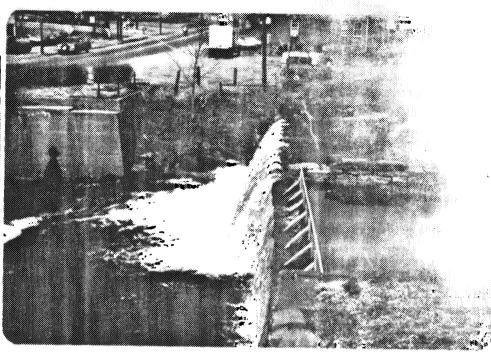
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